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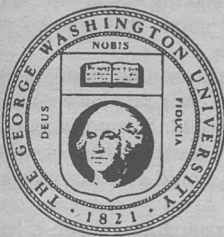
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Families converge on campus

GW hosts weekend events for parents

by David Joyner
Hatchet Reporter

About 5,000 parents, siblings and high school students visited campus for Family Weekend, which one administrator called "the biggest weekend of the year."

The weekend's events were sponsored by the Office of Admissions, the Office of Campus Life and the Office of Parent Services.

The Office of Parent Services is the first of its kind in GW history, according to Robert Chernak, vice president for student and academic support services. Rodney Johnson is the first director of that office.

"We appreciate parents taking part in their sons' and daughters' college experience," Johnson said. He said he was "very pleased to see the number of people who attended."

Michail Kalman, a Class of 1971 alumnus whose daughter is a freshman, said GW "should have had this (event) 22 years ago." With a record number of families and guests on campus, Chernak expressed some concern as to the amount of work Dining Services would be required to handle, since it still had to fulfill its normal duties.

"Dining Services had stepped up to the plate and had a successful at bat with Colonial Inauguration," Chernak said.

But David Bennett, dining services general manager, said his department had planned extensively and that no strain was involved.

While on campus, families were invited to a coffee house at the Riverside Cafe, a barbecue on the Univer-



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STUDENTS GET a warm welcome from Robert Chernak, vice president for student and academic support services, at Family Weekend.

sity Yard, a reception at the Rayburn House Office Building and a Comedy Night at the Smith Center.

Families of students and other visitors were also invited to speak with faculty at an academic fair in the

Marvin Center and to tour the residence halls.

"Parents Weekend was very organized and well thought out,"

(See FAMILY, p. 17)

Inouye drops plans for hospital funding

\$50 million proposal draws controversy

by Elissa Lebowitz
Managing Editor

Federal funding for the GW Hospital was dropped from legislation last week after lawmakers and the media began to question the money's source.

Sen. Daniel Inouye (D-Hawaii) scrapped his proposal Thursday for the GW Hospital to receive \$50 million in funding from a defense appropriations bill.

Inouye, chairman of the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense, has tried since 1991 to get money for the hospital. Inouye is a 1952 GW law school graduate and was criticized for allegedly using his position as chairman of the committee to transfer funds from defense to the hospital.

GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg said he is not surprised the funds were dropped, after Inouye felt his message was "misconstrued in the media."

Two Washington Post articles last week criticized the senator for "using his position as chairman . . . to obtain money surreptitiously."

The money would have been part of a projected \$150 million needed for the renovation. It would have been given to GW through complex legislation involving the Defense Department and the District's National Guard.

But Trachtenberg said there was nothing sneaky about the legislation. "The National Guard was merely a funding vehicle for these resources," he said.

Inouye was also criticized in his home state for promoting a project

outside his Hawaiian constituency. The Honolulu Advertiser questioned his motives last week in an editorial titled "Inouye's Work Requires an Explanation."

But Trachtenberg said Inouye remembers when Hawaii and Alaska did not have senators and is "more sensitive" to the District, which has no representation in the Senate.

"They are called United States senators. Obviously, they have responsibilities which overlap and go outside their state bounds," Trachtenberg said. "We can't very well go to our own senators."

Heidi Umbhau, Inouye's press secretary, said the senator continues to support this project but offers no further comment.

In a statement released Wednesday, however, Inouye said it would be impossible for GW to raise the money necessary to renovate the 50-year-old facility. "Without this assistance it is possible that the hospital will have to close its doors," he said.

Inouye said the federal government traditionally shares the burden with local and state government.

He said 50,000 patients were treated in the GW emergency room last year, and the hospital provided "uncompensated medical services in excess of \$30 million."

The D.C. budget, which awaits conference with the House this week, authorizes assistance for the hospital's renovations, Inouye said in his statement.

(See HOSPITAL, p. 12)

Forum makes strange bedfellows

NAFTA leads student groups to form unlikely alliances at debate

by Heather O'Connor
Hatchet Staff Writer

The debate over the North American Free Trade Agreement raged on Thursday night in Fonger Hall with student representatives forming unlikely alliances on both sides of the issue.

The College Republicans, the College Democrats and the Objectivist Club took the "pro-NAFTA" position against the Young Americans for Freedom, the Progressive Student Union and Students for Environmental Action, who all argued against the treaty.

The supporters' general argument was that ratification of the agreement would bring about an eventual increase in American jobs, better control of environmental issues and industrialization of Mexico.

The surprising alliance that criticized NAFTA said it would lead to a host of evils, including mercantilism, forced Mexican "slave labor" and environmental destruction.

Opening speaker Diane Wildman, a U.S. trade representative, warned the debaters and the audience of 130 people that NAFTA is an issue that is getting people worked up.

"NAFTA has been blamed for everything from the depleting ozone layer to the Kennedy assassination," Wildman said jokingly. She held up two and a half telephone directory-sized books containing the agreement's text.

The rights of American producers versus those of Mexican farmers were a heated issue. The environmental impact of the agreement and long-run implications of the treaty were also discussed.

Nationwide debate over the treaty has cut across party lines, as demonstrated at the GW forum. Former independent presidential candidate Ross Perot has led the fight against the treaty, but he has been joined by liberal Democrats and conservatives such as Patrick Buchanan.

(See DEBATE, p. 14)



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JON BRIER OF THE PROGRESSIVE STUDENT UNION TEAMS UP with Scott Lauf (left) of the Young Americans for Freedom at the NAFTA debate.

Ramble On

Bridging the gap to that exotic land: The Midwest

Momentum continues to build on campus for the addition of women's studies and Africana studies departments to the curriculum. And it's about time.

Many conservatives have argued that such departments polarize students by race and gender, and isolate women and minorities from the rest of campus. It's true that many university policies on affirmative action aren't too enlightened, but opening up the curriculum to new, unexplored ideas seems like a good way to educate students about other points of view, despite what right-wing naysayers say.

Students of all races, including SA presidential candidates year after year, have been pushing for an Africana studies department, and the SA Senate last week passed a resolution expressing its support for a women's studies department.

But why stop here? All of us, no matter what our background is, could use greater insight on the lives of people who are different from us. Despite

its claims, GW hasn't reached a level where it is truly a diverse university.

I'm not speaking in ethnic, racial or religious terms. I'm talking geography. Because for many students, especially the scores of New York and New Jersey natives, life doesn't exist beyond the Eastern seaboard.

This sheltered view of the world isn't what universities are all about. This should be a place of expanding one's mind to the world around us. Therefore, it's time for a Midwestern Studies major.

Granted, I'm not an unbiased advocate. I am a Midwesterner, and since I've been here, I've encountered the same ignorance and closed-mindedness that other "minority groups" have reported.

In one typical example, a New Englander I know expressed some confusion over where some Midwestern states were located. When I filled her in, she remarked, "Aw, those square states are all

the same anyway."

Before continuing, a brief note. No matter what the Buckeye State's residents say, Ohio is *not* in the Midwest. This is an outdated geographical classification, and this state's citizens can take their rightful place in the Rust Belt, where they belong. Same goes for Michigan.

The Midwest has, in fact, been long misunderstood. Every state carries the baggage of its own stereotypical image based on popular culture, about the only image most Easterners have. Many Long Islanders have at least been to California or Hawaii, but the Midwest is uncharted territory.

Kansas is *The Wizard of Oz*. Iowa is *Field of Dreams*. Indiana is *Hoosiers*. Or so you'd think if you talked to many GW students.

But the Midwest has offered a lot to the development of this nation, and even though we weren't in on it at the beginning, our "pioneer spirit" is responsible for much of our country's progress. Is it too much to ask that the University

help foster greater understanding of what many see as an "alien culture"?

We're not all that different out in the Midwest. There is life beyond the Mississippi River. And even if you don't plan on taking a road trip to Des Moines, learning more about that part of the nation can't hurt.

After the department gets settled, it would be a short step to expanding GW's scholarly pursuits in this ground-breaking field. Symposiums with Midwestern experts like Garrison Keillor, Mike Royko and Dan Quayle would give our program some clout.

A little mutual understanding can go a long way. And we should all put out some effort to bridge the gaps. I know I'll do my part with my pals from New Jersey, and try to learn more about why exactly their state is nothing but polluted beaches, toll booths and landfills.

-Oscar Avila

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SA supports women's studies

by Donna Brutkoski

Hatchet Staff Writer

The Student Association Senate passed a resolution Oct. 13 supporting the establishment of a women's studies department.

The women's studies program now offers a minor in the field. The creation of a department would mean that a major would also be offered.

Sen. Scott Mory (CCGSAS), one of the resolution's four cosponsors, said the new resolution was needed because a similar resolution passed last spring called for the Joint Committee of Faculty and Students to examine options to expand women's studies at GW.

"This is strictly a Columbian College (and Graduate School of Arts and Sciences) issue," he said. The current resolution "supports the dean of the Columbian College . . . in convening a task force" to investigate options for the women's studies program.

"The task force would evaluate resources we already have," said Sen. Jennifer Riesch (SEHD), who also sponsored the resolution.

Several senators expressed concern that there would not be enough interest in such a department, but the sponsors of the legislation disagreed.

Undergraduate at large Sen. Tracy Hagerty, cosponsor of

the resolution, said that the number of women's studies minors has "increased steadily."

Hagerty said the new legislation also has a more factual basis than last year's resolution. Mory also noted that the graduate women's studies department at GW has 150 students. He suggested that the creation of an undergraduate department would create a smooth transition between the two.

Sonya Quitslund, director of the women's studies program, said she was pleased that the Senate had taken an interest in the program. She stressed the importance of students being able to choose a major in the subject, pointing out that it is possible for students to design their own interdisciplinary major.

"Women's studies is most interested in getting the major," Quitslund said. She added that the creation of a department would be welcome, but is a secondary goal at this time.

Columbian College Dean Linda Salamon said there had been a routine program review of women's studies last year. She said there were plans to create a position, perhaps in the political science department, which would focus specifically on women in policy.

"I think that will be a big step forward," Salamon said.

Undergraduate Sen. Todd Sherbacow (ESIA) was the resolution's fourth cosponsor.

GW's value ranked in U.S. News University's merit-based awards help put it among 'best buys'

GW was ranked in the runner-up category. The University awards 23 percent of its students with merit-based aid, ranking it fifth in the runner-up category.

"It is a terrific statement for the University," said Fred Siegel, executive director of enrollment management. "We want to make it as cost affordable for people as possible."

The magazine's report was based on the percentage of entering freshmen receiving need-based grants and merit awards, as well as on the school's quality ranking as determined in its Oct. 4 issue.

The report ranked GW with 25 other national universities in the runner-up

category. "We are competing with lower schools that give out more merit aid," Chernak said.

Chernak said GW also vies for students interested in schools that are "above average," such as Ivy League universities.

A similar study in *Money* magazine's annual "Money Guide" did not rate GW among the top 100 best values.

Jack and Ellie Caltabiano, who were visiting for Parents Weekend, agreed with the *U.S. News* survey's results. "GW has kept their promises about financial aid," Jack Caltabiano said.

-Tracy Sisser

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Safe and sound

Security concerns always loom large at GW. With its location in the city, the University must reassure parents and students that GW is a safe haven in the middle of Washington. For the most part, the school has put crime and safety concerns to rest, but the recent reported robbery of the Mitchell Hall Courtyard Cafe shows that some work is still necessary.

When ServiceMaster took over the food service contract, it promised to operate a 24-hour deli for students, a place where they could get a quick snack late at night. But to make sure that students will use it, GW must provide security. The cafe is on the farthest edge of campus, away from the activity at Thurston Hall, let alone the Marvin Center.

The Courtyard Cafe attracts a lot of outside business during the day, but by the end of the business day, it becomes exclusively a student establishment. To reflect this reality, GW should use a cheap and effective means of safety. A card reader similar to those outside all residence halls or those needed to get into Gelman Library and the Smith Center should be installed. The system could activate at an established hour each night and deactivate each morning when non-students would dine there.

GW controls access at the Gelman Library Study Room after hours, a building the public can use during the day. The cafe demands the same amount of attention.

Stationing a University Police officer there would make no sense, in light of UPD's efforts to use students in some nonessential areas to allow more officers to patrol the streets. A community service aide or residence hall receptionist could work, but the very nature of the cafe — a place where students just drop by to get food and then leave — could preclude their effectiveness. A card reader system with turnstiles, such as those the University stations at Gelman's entrance, would settle matters cost efficiently.

On the whole, GW does an excellent job when it comes to security, keeping the residence halls, school buildings and common areas restricted to students after dark. The lack of any extra measures at the Courtyard Cafe is an error. Installing card readers would keep the cafe safe without ruining the purpose or effectiveness of the restaurant.

That vision thing

As much as he tries, President Clinton cannot escape the specter of foreign affairs. The White House wants to tackle the problems of health care, but Bosnia, Somalia and recently Haiti have overwhelmed the government, showing its weakness in foreign policy and lack of vision for the post-Cold War era.

The problems Clinton faces are not questions of his unfamiliarity with international issues. Rather, he has brought in an experienced group to handle foreign policy. Most of them, however, earned their stripes in the Carter era. Since then, the entire arena has changed with the fall of communism and the end of the Cold War.

A overall vision for world politics would help Clinton's foreign policy team operate more easily and effectively. The United States obviously needs goals for its individual operations in Somalia and Haiti, but what are these objectives working toward?

In the last month, various members of the foreign policy staff have lectured on the framework of the Clinton spin on world affairs, placing priority on multilateralism and United Nations involvement. In light of recent U.N. failures, the country must not only question whether the government can address national interests through this, but also if Clinton has a definite goal with his use of the U.N.

Establishing a definite vision will also allow Clinton to pay more attention to domestic issues. The administration will then know what it wants to accomplish ahead of time rather than getting Clinton's approval for every venture. Anthony Lake, special assistant for national security affairs, has pushed a doctrine of enlargement — providing security by aiding the formation of democratic governments and liberal economies — but lack of action in Russia and Haiti has already undermined its worth.

Clinton has proclaimed his foreign policy as a success with Russian democracy, Middle East peace and the North American Free Trade Agreement. Yet, Clinton has had little involvement with the first two, and NAFTA may go down in failure. He has admitted mistakes in other areas, acknowledging the difficult adjustment after the Cold War. Clearly Clinton lacks a vision for the new world order. He needs to find one before it is too late.

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PARENTS WEEKEND NIGHT MARE

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Keeps on going

Thanks to Michelle Platt for her accurate remarks concerning the opinion piece "Sein' of the times" (Oct. 4, p. 5). Platt told GW Hatchet Managing Editor Elissa Leibowitz to take a look at her own contributions to the continued invasion of GW freshman Shoshanna Lonstein's privacy. As one of the "less-than-stellar" journalists mentioned in Leibowitz's editorial, I would like to set the record straight on her sanctimonious defense of Lonstein's rights.

I did call The Hatchet for information regarding Lonstein, and Leibowitz did explain that she did not consider Lonstein's private life newsworthy. Leibowitz was very polite on the phone, in fact going as far as to graciously give me the name of the dorm Lonstein lived in during her brief stay on campus, and told me where I might get additional information. She did not tell me to buzz off, or anything approximating that.

As one can imagine, I was surprised to read that Leibowitz berated me for my interest in Lonstein, that she favored a hands-off approach to this story, that she was disgusted by my tactics, even as she promptly responded to them.

Regardless, thanks for your tip, Leibowitz, and from one less-than-stellar journalist to another, here's a tip for you: Practice what you preach. Buzz off.

-Vicki Hyman
Washingtonian Magazine

Safe from Safety?

This letter is in response to Donna Brutkowski's news article in The GW Hatchet, "SA, IFC will operate joint escort service" (Oct. 7, p. 3).

We take issue with the language of the article and with the Student Association's decisions about into whose hands the escort service will fall.

First, Brutkowski writes that GW fraternity members and others "will man the service." The term manning is an outdated way to say that a person or persons are staffing an office, the telephone, etc. The language we use conveys meaning. Using the term "man" is not a generic nor gender-neutral; its use suggests male images and as a result implicitly excludes women.

Second, the SA turning to mostly fraternities to serve as escorts reinforces the opinion that only men can protect both women and men. What about the sororities? Or what about Wimmin's Issues Now, the women's group on campus? Have they been approached to serve as escorts?

Finally, we, and others, have been harassed by fraternity members; in particular, when we attend the annual campus Take Back the Night march. It's ironic that the people who volunteer to protect us may have been on their fraternity lawns yelling at the women marchers. It is hypocritical for fraternities to have responsibility escorting women on campus when some of them are harassers. How is a woman

supposed to feel if she calls for a campus escort and the person who shows up had just harassed her from his fraternity house window?

Harassment does happen on this campus. Virtually every woman has experienced or will experience sexual harassment at some time in their lives. And harassment can instill the fear of physical and sexual assault in women. Are GW campus escorts aware that a lot of women experience the fear of rape, and it is often a daily event? Many women fear getting raped more than once.

While not all fraternity members harass women (men in residence halls and on the streets harass, too), it is the fraternity members who are going to be our campus escorts. They need to prove to the GW community that they take seriously the disturbing reality that women's lives contain sexual objectification, harassment and rape. We remember just a few years ago when certain fraternities and campus groups used women's bodies to advertise their social events and blood drives.

There is going to be a GW Take Back the Night march on Oct. 28. The purpose of Take Back the Night marches is to bring awareness to the public about the issue of violence against women and to empower women to feel safe again in our homes and streets. We would like to remind campus escorts that women want and deserve all of our environment to be free of harassment and sexual violence.

-Christina Lim
-Kathleen Guidroz

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OPINION

Open the floodgates, start the great debate

Something pretty amazing happened Oct. 14 in room 108 of Fungler Hall. Young Americans for Freedom, represented by Scott Lauf, and the Progressive Student Union, represented by Jon Brier, got along.

This momentous occasion occurred during The Great NAFTA Debate sponsored by the Program Board. Students from the College Republicans, the College Democrats and the Objectivist Club were pitted against students from YAF, PSU and Students for Environmental Action to debate whether the United States should immediately ratify the North American Free Trade Agreement. This debate was the first in what PB Political Affairs Chair Jennifer Moehlman described as, "a series of student debates designed to educate the GW community about current political issues and where students stand on them."

It's about time. Each of these groups have been wallowing in their respective isolated miseries for long enough. It's time for them to stop calling each other names behind closed doors and let the rest of us in on the fun. If PSU wants to

Heather O'Connor

accuse the Objectivist Club of living in an Ayn Rand fantasy world or the objectivists want to accuse SEA of sacrificing America's future for fuzzy "malarial mosquitoes," or the CRs want to accuse PSU of being the devil speaking with a golden tongue then, by gosh, let them do it in an organized forum.

And maybe, just maybe, what happened Thursday night will happen again, and archenemies will recognize what they have in common.

It was good to see the CRs and CDs taking the same side on an issue and working together. But the moment that brought tears to my eyes was during the audience questions. Each participant had three options for a two-minute rebuttal that could be used at any time. Brier had used up all his options arguing with Objectivist Club representative John Opfer about the impact of industrialization on Mexican farmers, when CR Eric Williams challenged Brier to produce statistics supporting his view. Brier looked around helplessly for a moment until Lauf gave him one of YAF's unused options. The audience broke into applause, and moderator Douglas Michel announced, "Now, an official YAF rebuttal from Jon Brier."

I want to applaud the Program Board for initiating the debating series and the student groups for participating. Hopefully, the debates will continue to be as successful and perhaps expand to include other non-political student groups. And who knows? After all the nonsense is over with, we might actually come away having learned something about an issue or two.

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Kruk, films, personals: ah, now that's amore

I did a remarkable thing Saturday night — I stayed home. Now, I don't mean my social life is tops in the town. Far from it. But I do usually fill my weekend nights with some sort of mind-dubbing activity, except for this one. And guess what, I hated it.

more appealing immediately than watching John "Sasquatch" Kruk scratch himself and find the chewing tobacco he lost six weeks ago. For me though, I have my ulterior motives. Try not to tell anyone, but I'm a romantic at heart.

My insides bleed every time *Casablanca* rolls on the screen. (How could you look past a guy who starts his recollection of the Nazis taking Paris with "The Germans wore grey; you wore blue.") I had to leave *Singles* when it was in the theaters because it reminded me too much of the disastrous relationship of mine that I thought I was over. How could I not watch?

Don't get me wrong, baseball can be romantic. That's the only reason to explain *Bull Durham*, and the 15,000 people who propose marriage at ball games by using the center field scoreboard. "Error on Anderson in right and Mary, will you marry John?" You can't avoid the twinge on the heart strings when you smell the boiled dogs and watered down beer.

Of course, my discussion of romance so far has limited itself to movies and



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Military needs to trust its leaders in order to accomplish its goals

Perhaps I have been a bit too emotional of late, but I am angry. I am angry, and it is not going away after supposed hopes in Somalia seem to be rising, as I read and hear things around me. A unilateral cessation of hostilities against Mohamed Farah Aideed's forces in Mogadishu and their efforts against U.N. operations seems little reward for the efforts of the soldiers last week, even with the possibility of no more deaths.

What of the naked American fighting man dragged through the streets with a rope by a jubilant Somali crowd? What of the hopes he possessed as recently as last Sunday afternoon in the sunshine before he was called to duty? Think of the thoughts, dreams and emotions that

faraway land and play in a chess game of new world order politics. They went because they were called to action by the officials that they trusted. They went because they had to. Their voices were silenced by their oath of office, taken when they entered the service. I speak of American troops because I was a U.S. Army Ranger. I did not see combat, and I have been out for more than four years. I do not claim to know the situations of Nigerian, Italian or Pakistani soldiers, just as I may not know the situations of the many Americans in Somalia.

But this I can attest to: the trust of the military in the leaders above the troops is the key to the discipline that causes one to drop out of helicopter onto a landscape that is beyond an individual's control — save the political leaders who precipitate the need for action in the first place. I am appalled by the actions of our leaders to commit troops like pawns or monopoly money. I have more respect for my past service and for the service of the men fighting in Somalia.

I have been to the monument bearing more than 58,000 names of the individuals who had the same thing happen to them. I find it tragically ironic that a man who differed from the political will that created that reality when I was an infant now does so himself. The fighting men of this nation are not to be used in such a way anymore, nor should the lessons of the past be ignored.

I urge our leaders to first grasp this fundamental understanding of soldiering and its humanity before deciding on the use of troops. Give them a mission that is attainable, and give them the means to do so. Further, do not let this new hope dawning in Mogadishu detract from the fact that you have lost the trust of many individuals in uniform, past and present.

Derron DeBilzan is a sophomore majoring in international affairs.

Derron DeBilzan

drove this man and made him who he was — an individual to be understood and loved by those who knew him, and a soldier / symbol of the most powerful nation on Earth.

It seems the Somali people could only see the latter as they paraded his sacred remains for all the world to see, a token of their emotions. Was this because the sentient humanity of this young man was locked forever inside his dead shell? Had his duty bequeathed a silent acquiescence of his being? Duty does not erase individualism, and I am almost unable to grasp words to explain my sorrow and profound anger for his fate. Duty is driven by individualism and the commitment of placing sole concerns under the higher ones of the society for which one serves.

These soldiers did not request permission to go to a

baseball. Should there be some genuine romance in my life if I proclaim myself as a romantic? Good question. If I ever find an answer, I'll let you know.

Baseball and films aren't the only outlet I have to live out my romantic notions every week. There's the personal ads. Now everyone must admit that they read them, whether it is in the City Paper or The Washington Post. From my detailed explorations, I've figured out some constant rules:

• Men admit that they are losers in romance more than women do. That's the only excuse to explain why "Men

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I've never put in an ad of my own or answered one. I guess it looks too much

like a sign of last resort. But when you're sitting at home Saturday night pulling your hair out with John Kruk, you don't have much to lose, except for my idealism that your supposed to find your perfect match through some romantic encounter, like those vignettes in *When Harry Met Sally*. Is that fair? No, but that's amore.

Vince Tuss is the editorial page editor of The GW Hatchet, and a SM, 20, sporty with low mileage and lots of performance, looking for like SF to rev his engine with.

Vince Tuss

Now, it wasn't a total loss. Granted, I did see one exciting baseball game for five or six innings. However, in between the commercial breaks hawking beer and automobiles, I burned out my batteries on the remote control flipping back and forth between two movies: *Singles* and *When Harry Met Sally*. Although these were the supposed alternatives for females, I fell for them hook, line and sinker on the outside corner for a strike.

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Career Center Exploring Your Career Change Workshop. Academic Cntr. 509, 5-6:30pm. Info: 994-8630.

Career Center & International Student Services present: Orientation Sessions for the International Student Job Fair. Marvin Center 406, 6-8pm. Info: 994-6495.

SBPM Senior Class Meeting. All Seniors are expected to attend. Marvin Center 415, 6:30-8pm. Info: 994-7536.

Career Center Employer Information Session with World Teach. Academic Cntr. 509, 7pm. Info: 994-8630.

Program Board Movie: Reservoir Dogs. Marvin Center Ballroom, 9pm. Info: 994-7313.

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Friday, October 22

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Program Board Concert: Dean Can Dance. Lisner Auditorium, 8pm. Info: 994-7313.

Saturday, October 23

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Mitchell cafe diners want added security

Recent incident raises concerns over safety

by Andrew Tarnoff

Asst. News Editor

The Oct. 9 armed robbery reported at Mitchell Hall's Courtyard Cafe has left some students wondering if GW should increase security at the 24-hour cafe.

A cashier was allegedly robbed of \$180 at gunpoint last Saturday around 4 a.m. The victim, a ServiceMaster cashier, said the cafe is almost empty late at night. He said he was not surprised that the robbery went unnoticed because he said students are not as alert at that hour.

The cashier, who requested that he not be identified, said he thinks the cafe should be open to "no one but students." He suggested access-card readers to enter the cafe on the door of the building.

"If you need a card to get into everywhere else, I don't see why you don't need one to get into here," late-night diner Jen Miller, a freshman, said.

Miller said she worries that "a murderer could walk in the door. Students should be the only ones in here," she said.

"We have to realize that we're living in a city, and we have to take the proper precautions," freshman diner Anna Snider said.

The students in the Courtyard Cafe agreed that safety precautions should be considered. "I would not have a problem with increased security measures," freshman Joseph Holtman said. Those students also said they would not object

to the idea of security cameras in the cafe.

Miller said she has doubts about the details surrounding the alleged robbery, but it won't curtail her dining in the cafe. "If I believed something really happened, it might change how often I go (to the cafe)," Miller said.

The cashier said he realizes there is some doubt about the authenticity of his account. He said he has not heard anything from either UPD or the Metropolitan Police Department about the case.

The UPD crime report said the employee first reported some confusion as to the thief's race. The report said the cashier first said the thief was white, but later changed his description to a black man with a light complexion.

The cashier said he never told UPD the thief was white. "They assumed that he was white," he said, because he told UPD that the man had red hair and freckles.

UPD Director Dolores Stafford said part of the confusion may have occurred because the cables that routinely monitor phone calls such as the one between the cashier and UPD were accidentally unplugged. Therefore, the conversation went unrecorded, Stafford said.

The UPD report also said the robber ran out of Mitchell Hall. The cashier said the thief was calm and walked out of the cafe, which may explain why no one saw it, he said.

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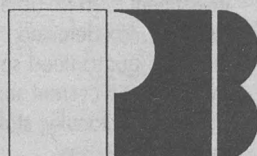
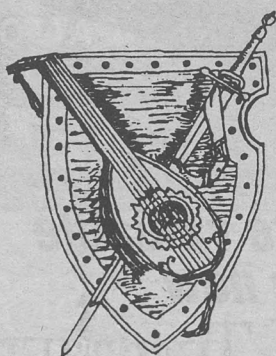


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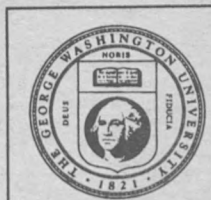
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Panelists set for Buckley program

The panelists for a series of programs on health care reform, which will be hosted by William F. Buckley Jr. in the Dorothy Betts Marvin Theater Monday, were confirmed.

The morning session, which will start at 11 a.m., will include Sen. Phil Gramm (R-Texas), and Reps. Jim Cooper (D-Tenn.) and Fortney "Pete" Stark (D-Calif.). Joining the legislators will be Judith Feder, deputy assistant secretary of Health and Human Services, and S. Jackson Feris, president and chief executive officer of the National Federation of Independent Business.

The afternoon session, which will start at 2:30 p.m., will include Sen. Paul Wellstone (D-Minn.); Ron Pollack, executive director of Families USA, and Glaxo Corp. chairman Charles Sanders.

The discussions will air as a series of four half-hour programs next month on public television stations nationwide.

Former defense secretaries to speak

Six former secretaries of defense will discuss "Redefining Defense in an Unpredictable World" Friday at 2 p.m. in the

Dorothy Betts Marvin Theater.

The discussion, presented by the Atlanta-based Southern Center for International Studies and hosted by GW's Elliott School of International Affairs, will feature former secretaries James Schlesinger, Donald Rumsfeld, Harold Brown, Caspar Weinberger, Frank Carlucci and Richard Cheney.

The panelists will discuss U.S. involvement in Somalia, Bosnia and Haiti, as well as other defense and security issues, including arms proliferation and base closings.

The forum, part of a Peabody award-winning series, will be taped for nationwide airing on public broadcasting stations. Marvin Kalb of Harvard University's John F. Kennedy School of Government, will be the moderator.

Ford CEO to lead SBPM discussion

Harold Poling, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Ford Motor Company, will lead a group discussion with graduate students of the School of Business and Public Management Monday.

Poling, who also serves on the President's Export Council and on the President's Commission on Environmental Quality, will speak at 2:30 p.m. in the Jacob Burns Moot Court at the National Law Center.

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Friedan addresses women's aging issues

by Erin McLaughlin
Hatchet Reporter

Imagine being 18 years old, a college freshman and a woman. The year is 1963 not 1993.

Chances are that the student would probably drop out, get married and then raise a family while working solely in the home. But that year, feminist author Betty Friedan's book *The Feminine Mystique*, credited by many with ushering in the modern feminist movement, was published.

Now Friedan has written her third book, *The Fountain of Age*, which she discussed Friday in the Dorothy Betts Marvin Theater at an event presented by The Women's Center and GW.

"I want you to know that I never did intend to write a book about age. Yuck," Friedan said. She said she became interested in the subject while researching women in nontraditional roles and discovered that many of them did not go through what male doctors considered the "traditional" menopausal experience.

Friedan, who is the founder of The National Organization for Women and the National Women's Political Caucus, said she found connections between the conferences on the "women's problem" in the 1960s and the conferences that are being held today on the problems of "ageism."

"I'd go to these conferences, with the panelled walls at Harvard Medical School, where young turks in the new aging field with their white coats would talk about 'them,'" Friedan said. "When the male experts would talk about the 'women's problem,' (they) would talk about 'them.'"

"Like, 'What are we going to do about these neurotic, frustrated, suburban housewives, (to) get them off our backs?' How it changed when 'them' became 'us' and we began to define our own problems," Friedan said.

Friedan, 72, said she didn't have all the answers about the consequences of aging. Instead, she posed new questions about the aging process.

"The amazing thing (is that) you've got (to have) the freedom to risk because risk-taking is an absolutely essential thing," she said.

Friedan said the issue of an aging population will have a great impact on society and warns that it may divide the country along generational lines.

"I do think this will be the next great social revolution," Friedan said. "I worry about that inter-generational warfare because old people are being used as scapegoats for the economic crisis, for the health care crisis."

"But I do not see our movement as older people just arriving and organizing to protect Social Security and Medicare," she said.

Friedan said just as men look differently at women, older women look differently at girls. "I think we will break through this mystique of age, and there will be a whole new sense of a total life," she said. "(Roles) will not have defined themselves in such rigid terms."

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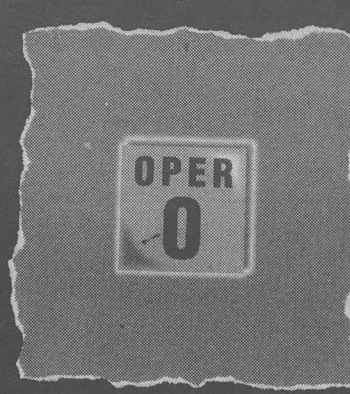
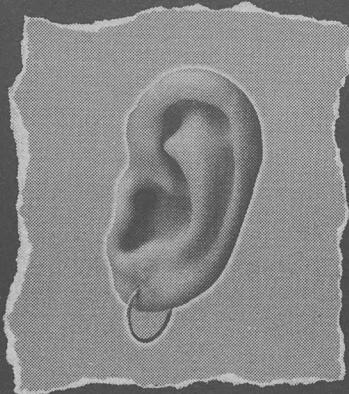
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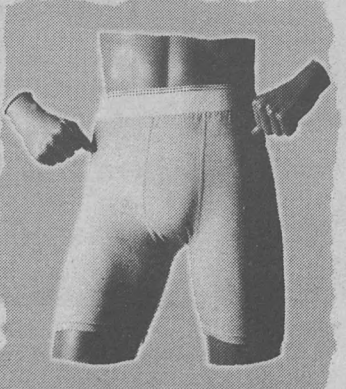
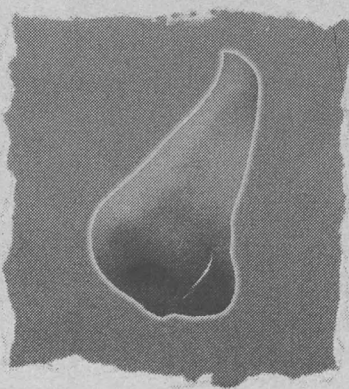
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IMPRESSIONS

No fears for new Tears

by Oscar Avila

Despite what the ads said, the real Tears for Fears didn't perform at Constitution Hall Tuesday night.

That's because for many fans, Tears for Fears will always be those two pained young men singing about love, loss and the difficult moments of life. Now Tears for Fears is one young man, not quite so angst-ridden, who actually seems to be having fun.

Two years ago, Tears-mates Curt Smith and Roland Orzabal parted ways over "creative differences," leaving Smith free to pursue a so-far nonexistent solo career and Orzabal (the one with the long, brown, curly hair) in charge of carrying on the band's name. Judging by the crowd reaction at Tuesday's show, Smith is long forgotten.

Orzabal, backed up by five new band members, seemed intent on establishing a clean break with the past. The show's first five songs were from the group's latest album, *Elemental*, including its current top-10 hit "Break it Down Again" which opened the show.

The first big reaction from the crowd came from the 1989 hit "Sowing the Seeds of Love." Once again, the group's rousing version showed how expendable Smith truly was. Orzabal supplied the thoughtful lead vocals while guitarist Alan Griffiths and bassist Gail Ann Dorsey recreated the song's Beatles-style harmonies.

Orzabal clearly was happy to finally be the band's central focus, and he did a good job in his first D.C. show as Tears frontman. He bounced breezily across the stage and at one point gleefully remarked, "I got me a new band!"



Roland Orzabal hit D.C. last Tuesday in hopes of ruling the world.

Although the group mainly kept to the often more upbeat new material, it also played some old favorites including "Shout (Let It All Out)," "Head Over Heels" and "Woman in Chains," during which Dorsey brought the crowd to its feet with an amazing backup vocal performance.

The concert was not entirely without disappointment, which came in a sped-up, less passionate rendition of "Everybody Wants to Rule the World." The

song put Tears for Fears on the musical map in 1985, but it suffered Tuesday, perhaps because the original version featured Smith as lead vocalist.

The new incarnation of Tears for Fears, with more spirit and less somberness may not sit well with all its old fans. But Tuesday's show proved that the new Orzabal-led version — by pursuing new creative directions while still preserving the group's musical history — doesn't have much to fear.

Status will Buhloone with De La's newest

by David Larimer

"It might blow up, but it won't go pop." So goes the opening refrain of De La Soul's third album, *Buhloone Mindstate* (Tommy Boy). But as is everything with De La's convoluted style of speak, this is more than an intensely catchy line: it's a theme. Several themes in fact, each echoing their past work while expanding (hence the balloon reference) their musical horizons.

The opening refrain reiterates the strong anti-crossover stance that provided the backbone of *De La Soul is Dead*, the band's second album. It also comments on the backlash that followed their surprise hit debut, 1989's *3 Feet High and Rising*. But most importantly, it introduces *Buhloone Mindstate*'s mission to carve out a place of respect within hip-hop, a genre that has recognized them only grudgingly.

The theme works, just as the musical motifs used on their past albums work. Ranging from the band's incredible pop culture Pig Latin to *pathos*, from introspection to humor, *Buhloone Mindstate* deserves to earn De La Soul a respected place in hip-hop and recognition for one of the best releases — in any genre — so far this year.

So autobiographical is this album that it seems like three albums in the making. After debuting with a ground-breaking quasi-bohemian vibe that won some unexpected crossover success, De La Soul was dismissed as three hippies making rap for those who don't like rap. Next came a scathing, bitterly hilarious, and wildly different follow-up, which was received as a cranky, alienating, sophomore stiff.

On their current album, Trugoy, Posdnous and Baby Huey Maseo want to make it perfectly clear that they don't want to be labeled: "Fuck being hard / Posdnous is complicated."

This act of casting off seems to lighten De La's collective mood greatly. After all, it's hard to look at guest appearances by Biz Markie and two Japanese rappers (easily one of the most bizarre things I've ever heard) without at least smiling. "En Focus," "3 Days Later" and "In The Woods" are among the most musically upbeat and self-assured works the group has ever made; the album is at times so smooth it threatens to melt in the CD player.

But again, this is a De La Soul album, a study in lyrical density. Tempering the mood is the album's centerpiece, "I Am I Be," laid out over another silky track and preluded by the beautiful instrumental track "I Be Blowin'" (featuring saxophone legend Maceo Parker). "I Am I Be" is the poignant reflection of their bittersweet lifestyles as young black musicians. The opening verse, delivered by Posdnous, is a watershed moment: an introspective, sad and fiercely proud look back at lost friends and family and the struggle to raise a daughter. "I've always walked the right side of the road / If I wasn't making song / I wouldn't be a thug selling drugs / But a man with a plan." Songs like this just aren't written often enough.

De La Soul appears ready to move on from the old De La Soul. Without a trace of the "skits" that set the tone for the first two albums, *Buhloone Mindstate* shows a group now mature and confident enough to let the music speak completely for itself. Hopefully, people will finally start to understand.

Verve brings British vivacity to 9:30 Club

by Heather O'Connor

Two new alternative bands from opposite sides of the globe debuted on Virgin Record's Vernon Yard Recordings division this month. Verve (Nick McCabe — guitar, Simon Jones — bass and Pete Salisbury — drums) hails from a small town in northern England and Acetone (Richie Lee — vocals, bass, Mark Lightcap — vocals, guitar and Steve Hadley — drums) calls Los Angeles home.

Verve's debut album *A Storm in Heaven* (Vernon Yard Recordings) combines the Seattle-esque pounding bass and drums with ethereal guitar mantras for a sound reminiscent of the Church, but harsher.

Lead singer Richard Ashcroft shows off his vocal diversity in songs that begin with soft, wailing pleas and escalate to screaming, grinding, jarring orgasms. The backup mirrors

Ashcroft's vocals but remains at a consistently intense level.

An overwhelming spacy feeling permeates the album. During "Butterfly," a haunting back-alley saxophone cries over an anxious, repetitive bass. Vocals, bass and guitar echo and flow around the percussion, momentarily get lost and then reappear with a jolt.

At times, the music seems very distant and surreal, as if you were listening to it in slow motion through a cloud of pot smoke in a great marble coliseum at night. But then Salisbury kicks in with the drums and all of a sudden you're in Nirvana's "Teen Spirit" video.

For a contrast, take a listen to Los Angeles native Acetone's new album *Cindy* (Vernon Yard Recordings).

Cindy plods along with static-like bass, too much snare drums and off-key vocals. Each of the 10 tracks are six-plus minutes long — and seem twice that when you're actually listening.



Verve, hanging out with

The repetitious quality of the album is grinding on the nerves. "Endless Summer" is an endless song that repeats three chords for one full minute before vocals enter.

"Chills" suffers the same dilemma, but features an obnoxious running bass scale that drills into your skull incessantly. It sounds like a really mellow,

Dolly and Molly, hits the road with L.A. labelmate Acetone.

drugged out version of "Louie, Louie." But worse.

"Pinch" comes closest to being a decent song with classic rock vocals: "And this is not a joke / There's nothing in my mouth but I feel I'm gonna choke / I tried to tell the doctor but he just misunderstood / The way I'm feeling and it ain't no good." Aren't those the words to the Dr. Pepper jingle? During "Come On," Lee wails, "I'm still waiting / I'm still waiting / I'm still waiting / I'm still waiting." So am I — for a decent song.

Acetone and Verve will perform at the 9:30 Club, 930 F St., Oct. 20.

ARTS & FEATURES

Def Leppard gets *Active* ending rock of ages era — *Retro* style

by Christina Smart

It's not possible. Def Leppard released a new album? But four years haven't passed yet. No one in the band has died or lost a limb have they?

The rumor is true! *Retro Active* (Mercury / PLG) is Def Leppard's first release in (count 'em) two years.

All right, they cheated. The album contains rehashed B-sides and songs that were shelved during the recordings of *Hysteria* and *Adrenalize* (both Mercury / PLG). It also puts a final chapter on the Steve Clark era of the band.

When I first heard this release I thought, "Uh-oh." Not because the songs were bad (they were great to begin with). But the songs lose their original kick when Def Leppard goes into the studio and adds extra parts to them.

Living proof of this is "Tear It Down," the last track off *Adrenalize*. This song started as a B-side to "Women," the first release off the *Hysteria* album. It was so great the band decided to include it on its next album (great idea). So they reworked it (bad idea), added parts that only dogs can hear and basically destroyed the original "oomph" that made it great.

Thank goodness that didn't happen to *Retro Active*. The only studio work was to re-record certain parts, or add Vivian Campbell's guitar to songs on which he had never played before.

The album contains 11 songs and 13 tracks. "Two Steps Behind," the acoustic version now No. 5 on *Billboard*'s singles chart, and "Miss You In A Heartbeat," the original B-side to "Make Love Like A Man" are featured in both their acoustic and electric versions.

Other songs include "Desert Song" and "Fractured Love" (both written during *Hysteria* sessions) and "Action" (a cover of the Sweet tune). "Ring Of Fire," the very *Pyromania*esque "She's Too Tough" and "Only After Dark" are all B-sides to earlier releases.

With "From The Inside" we find Def Leppard jamming (and I use that word very lightly) with Fiachna O' Braonain, Liam O' Maonlai, and Peter O'Toole of Hothouse Flowers. "Ride Into The Sun," originally from the 1978 EP, got a more 1993 sound from drummer Rick Allen and guitarist Phil Collen, who weren't with the band 1978.

With *Retro Active*, Def Leppard redeems itself from the flop called *Adrenalize*. Here, less is definitely more.



Eve will be the *Envy* of alternative scene

by Tom Ackerman

Buttally gentle, darkly optimistic, weightlessly heavy, precisely shapeless — this is Eve's Plum. The scrawl of a wronged lover's graffiti on the inside cover along with a band photo that looks like something taken from a fun house hall of mirrors say more about the group than an album review ever could.

Colleen, Michael, Chris and Benjamin (their last names are omitted) have put together a collection of songs that you could honestly call art. I use that term sparingly when I apply it to modern music, which lately seems to have more to do with economics than personal expression, but it seems that this no-name band from nowhere in particular has remembered what it is all about.

Envy (Sony Music), the debut release from Eve's Plum, is a twisted journey through the tortured minds of its member. The music undergoes sudden shifts from soft to loud, slow to fast as

Colleen herself seems to change personalities even within the context of the same song. Their sound is fairly well in step with those grouped in the college / alternative scene, but it is the themes and the blatant use of contrasts that set Eve's Plum apart. *Envy* is an album that grips your mind musically and lyrically, and refuses to let you go.

After long and hard thought, the only band that could even vaguely compare to Eve's Plum is the local indie favorite Velocity Girl which also happens to feature a female lead vocalist.

Eve's Plum seems to be, in that respect, a new breed of musical group. The female leading a predominantly male group does exactly that — she leads. The lyrics and concepts appear to come from a decidedly female perspective, not feminist-female, and listeners will find that refreshing. Sure, there have been a lot of female singers and even all female groups in the past. But even if they were expressing their own thoughts and feelings, they seemed to be



restricted to certain topics deemed appropriate for women performers. Eve's Plum has no such restrictions.

Eve's Plum is everything music should be, but isn't. Platinum Albums and the multimillion-dollar record deals of the corporate juggernauts should be banned, and bands should go back to making discs like *Envy*. It's really not such a novel idea, but music for the sake of personal expression and making a real connection with an audience seems to be practically extinct. It's nice to see a new group with a new sound and a new mentality not sacrificing their ideals for instant fame and fortune.

Buffalo Tom snags emotional accolades

by Douglas Parker

Buffalo Tom is a trio of SNAGs, and these Sensitive New Age Guys show off their feelings on their new album, *big red letter day* (eastwest records america.)

Emotion hangs out everywhere on this release. The mellow guitar catches you off guard as Bill Janovitz's world-weary voice reaches inside you and lets your emotions go. It is a happy-sad sound that makes you want to go back and hear it again.

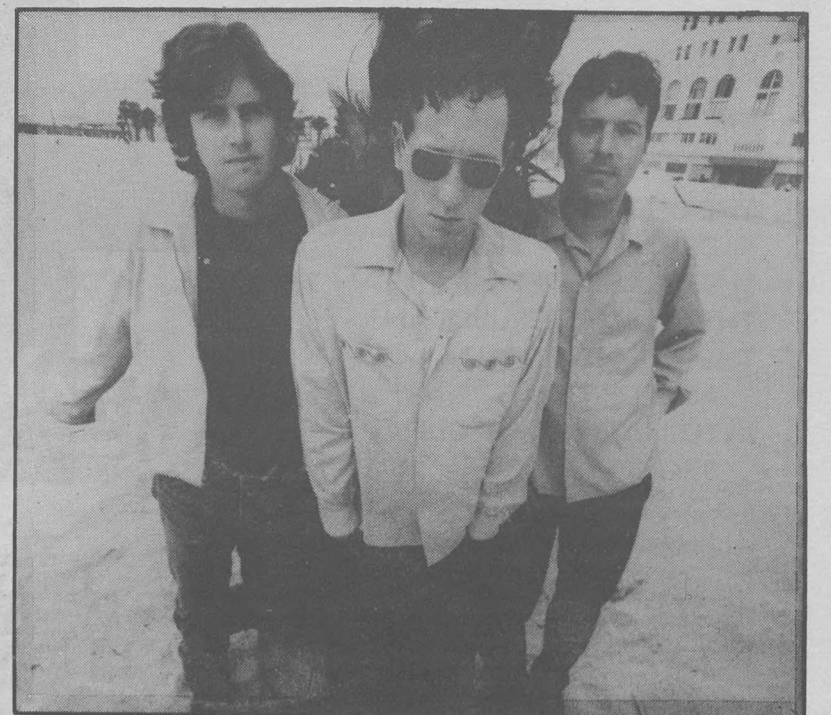
The band describes their roots as folkie, fuzz-rock with a heavy influence from each of their moms. Whatever fuzz-rock is, it's a pretty good description of their music. Buffalo Tom has turned down the bass amplifier a bit instead of going wild like most alternative bands.

Buffalo Tom relies on their voices on this album, and the addition of vocals by bassist Chris Colbourn gives depth to their sound. It is a significant improvement over the jumble of extra guitar strumming and cymbal bashing that clouded its last release, *Let Me Come Over*. In fact, one of Buffalo Tom's greatest strengths on *big red letter day* is using just the right amount of guitar and bass to compliment the voice.

My favorite song off the album is "Late at Night," which is buried away on the B-side. It is reminiscent of their big hit "Tailights Fading" with the same amount of feeling but a much simpler tune.

"Sodajerker" and "Dryland" are also emotional tunes with more of a rock sound. Even so, the album is by no means depressing, just stirring.

big red letter day is a more consistent effort than *Let Me Come Over*. It is not a one-hit album, but a collection of melodic sounds that can relax even the most tense college student during midterms.



Three humans (one named Tom) are Buffalo Tom.

Student finds bounce-back secret

by Douglas Parker

Gummy Bears have this gummy bear juice that humans are always trying to make. You know, the stuff that makes 'em bounce all over the place. I've discovered the formula. It's espresso.

I down a double shot and bounce to class. Bounce in my seat through my midterm. Bounce back to the dorm. Bounce on my bed for 12 hours. Then I crash, usually in some odd place like the tables in the laundry room. Back to the cafe for a double shot the next morning.

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I haven't slept since I've arrived. My sheets have only been used by my roommates to tie me in bed. Even my espresso machine can't produce it fast enough. I'm on the daily delivery route of the Vivarin distributor.

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I arrived at GW before my coffee machine got here. I had this strange feeling while I waited: mellowness. I was OK with everything. "Sure you put your bed by the window. I'll take this moldy corner." When I got King Coffee maker, I realized I'd been tricked. In retaliation, I have taken over my room and forced my roommates back into the alcove. I have to go run and check on them though. Last night they hid my Queen Cappuccino and I almost let them out of the alcove. Damn those tricky roomies.



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GW, a private university, received \$500,000 from the District's fiscal 1993 budget, according to the District's budget office. That money was part of a special \$5 million trauma care fund distributed to six city hospitals, Office of the Budget spokesman Willie Lynch said.

Mimi Mager, the District's congressional liaison, said the city worked "night and day" to help GW get funding this year.

District officials wanted to make sure the city "would not be held liable" for the money, Mager said. "We always said GW is a good neighbor. We wanted to work something out that would not jeopardize (Washington's budget)," she said.

Trachtenberg said if the money went through the District, Congress might "hold off."

He explained that had the hospital received funding, it would have contributed to the whole community. "The city would have come out ahead," he said.

He noted that the hospital benefits tourists, Congress, diplomats and the nearby State Department and White House.

"It's too bad, not ultimately for you or

me, but for the District of Columbia," he added.

The problems with this project illustrate the difficulties the District has without an economic base, Trachtenberg said. Washington lacks corporations that "give serious dollars" to the city. And much of the money earned in the District is spent outside the city, he explained.

So far, the University has raised about \$7 million to fund the hospital's renovations, Trachtenberg said.

He said GW would have a better chance next year with "a more articulated explanation" and "more public understanding" of the project. "There is no alternative until we prevail," he said.



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MC store to adjust prices competitively

by Souheila Al-Jadda
Hatchet Staff Writer

Prices at the MC Store will be reevaluated by the end of October or early November to become more competitive with those of outside vendors, David Bennett, Dining Services general manager, said.

Employees of the MC Store, which caters to the University community and allows students to use their meal plan PLUS points there, will reexamine its prices compared to those of local vendors that sell similar products.

"At that time we will be examining product mix as well as pricing structures at the MC Store," Bennett said. He said Dining Services is taking steps to lower the prices and elevate the quality of merchandise at the MC Store.

The MC Store is already making some changes, MC Store manager Anne Murray said. The store has introduced new items, such as flowers and products from "Whatsa Bagels," she said. Murray said she understands that pricing is a concern.

Students concerned with high prices at the MC Store have made that known to dining services, Bennett said. "While we heard comments regarding pricing in the MC Store, we generally hear positive comments regarding the changes we have made," he said.

Melissa Ellman, a freshman, said she rarely shops at the MC Store. "I'd rather get the same product cheaper somewhere else," she said.

Prices on most items at the store are generally higher than those at the Safeway store in the Watergate Plaza or at

the Foggy Bottom Grocery on F Street.

For example, a bottle of Snapple Iced Tea sells for \$1.35 at the MC Store, 99 cents at Foggy Bottom Grocery and 89 cents at Safeway. Pop Tarts are also more expensive, costing \$2.69 at the MC Store, \$2.39 at Foggy Bottom and \$1.69 at Safeway.

Not all products are marked higher, however. Milk, for example, costs about the same at all three stores.

Ajay Chokshi, a junior, said he only buys beverages at the MC Store because he feels that food at the MC Store is too high for his budget.

"Prices are ridiculously high. At Georgetown University students are charged really low prices," he said. "The student government is in charge of the store (there) and I think they should implement the same kind of system here."

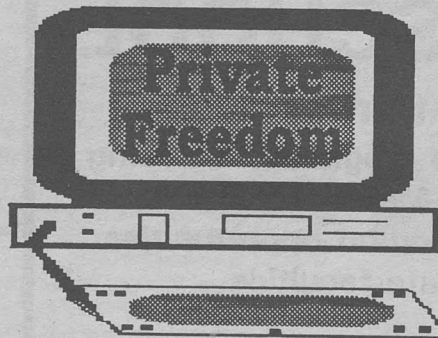
Arvin Malkani, a junior, said he believes that the MC Store over-prices items to make a profit. "I shop at the Safeway in the Watergate for food," Malkani said. "The MC Store is making a buck off students for convenience because we can't do anything about it."

John Deckard, a public relations manager at Safeway, said a number of contributing factors determine Safeway's prices, including competition, promotional specials and supply and demand. MC Store pricing involves other stores with similar interests and products, Bennett said.

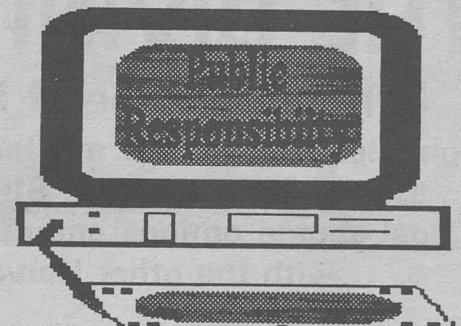
"We are currently negotiating with the (national) distributor with the goal to establish distribution that would give us the best product available with competitive pricing," Bennett said.

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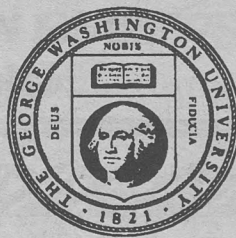
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Debate

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On the other hand, President Clinton and Senate Minority Leader Bob Dole (R-Kan.) have both expressed support for the treaty.

Objectivist Club representative John Opfer, one of the panel's most vocal members, drew attention to his unusual alliance of student groups, describing it as "inexplicable."

"Their only common denominator is the principle of sacrifice," Opfer said of the political alliance. "(YAF representative) Scott Lauf urges us to sacrifice for the nation, (PSU representative) Jon Brier urges us to sacrifice for the poor and (SEA representative) Cara Gerard urges us to sacrifice for various vermin."

An audience member asked later in the debate how the views of the PSU and SEA could coincide with those of the conservative YAF. Brier answered that their views do drastically conflict, but they all agree that NAFTA is "worthless."

Some combativeness surfaced among participants several times during the

debate. At one point Opfer asked the SEA's Gerard, "Why should American producers remain shackled and Mexicans remain poor just so you can feel warm and snuggly over trees and bunnies and malarial mosquitoes?"

"This has nothing to do with trees and bunnies and malarial mosquitoes," Gerard responded. "This has to do with people getting sick and animals dying and the entire landscape and economy of Mexico being destroyed. It's not about warm fuzzies."

Gerard explained that SEA believes NAFTA is a step in the right direction for the environment, but said there are too many loopholes and not enough regulations.

Opfer and Brier were also involved in a lively exchange. "What makes one man's need a mortgage on another man's life," Opfer asked.

"I don't understand the deep philosophical implications of what you're asking," Brier said, "but the most important point to remember is that the people (in Mexico) are going to get screwed out of their jobs and lose their property and their land and their rights to become objectivists later in life."

The debate was sponsored by the Program Board was moderated by PB committee chairs Douglas Michel and Jennifer Moehlmann.

Correction

The story "CRs get North(ern) exposure" on p. 1 of the Oct. 14 issue of The GW Hatchet should have identified Kyle McSarrow as a 1992 defeated Congressional candidate from Virginia.

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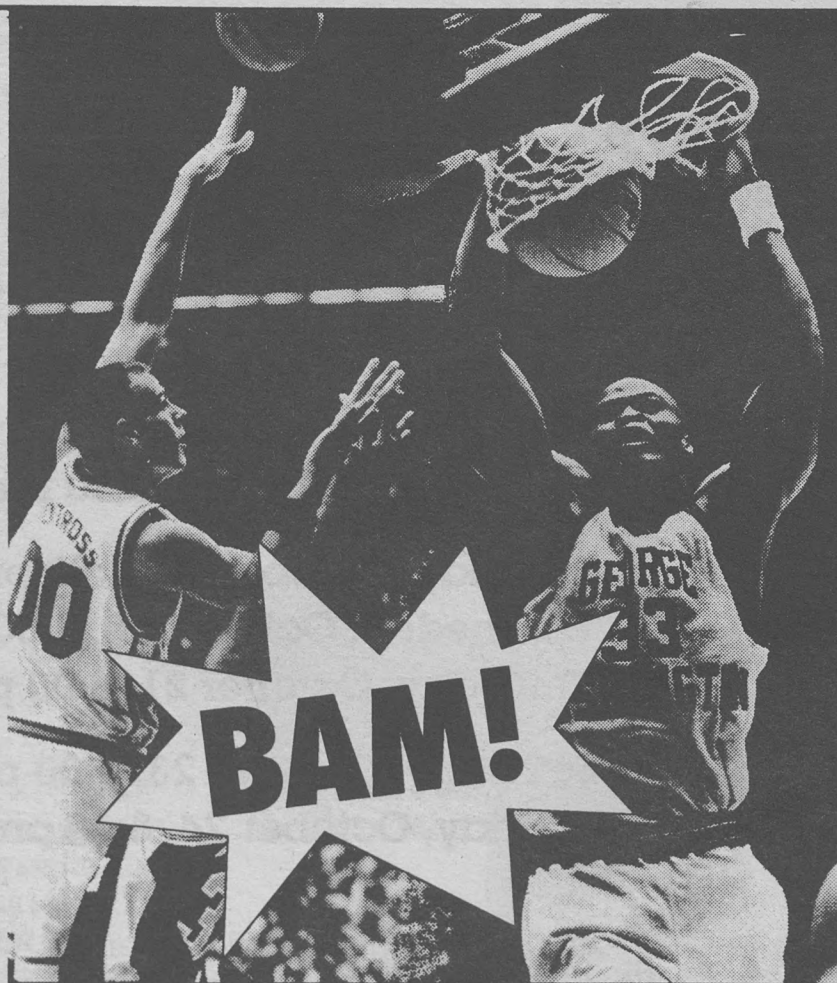
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Students, staff discuss NAFTA

Proposed trade pact yields varying views on economic impact

by Souheila Al-Jadda
Hatchet Staff Writer

Since President Clinton announced his support of the North American Free Trade Agreement, GW students and faculty have taken positions on both sides of the issue.

Rodney Walter Eldridge, professor of international finance, said he feels NAFTA would improve the U.S. economy. "It opens a very significant new market for the United States' goods and services," Eldridge said.

Some GW students agree that NAFTA could provide major economic benefits by providing free trade among the United States, Mexico and Canada.

Freshman Dan Hauck, a native of Mexico City, said he believes that Mexico will gain the most in the short term. "NAFTA is better for Mexico in the short term because of cheaper imports and less trade restriction," Hauck said.

He said in the long term, though, the agreement will even out for both sides. "Mexico will gain more jobs, and the U.S. will be able to regulate trade easier," he predicted.

Hauck said that in the end, "everything will mesh together and both countries will benefit from NAFTA."

Graduate student Kirk Bradley, a native of Canada, also said he supports NAFTA. He said he thinks his attitude reflects that of many other Canadians.

"I know I am in favor of NAFTA. We (Canadians) don't have to deal with Mexico too much. We have more to lose

in the short term than the United States," Bradley said. "In the long term, it will turn out to be good for all the countries."

NAFTA is only the beginning of progress toward a stable economy, second-year law student Alfred Park said. "NAFTA is a step in the right direction for the United States and must

"NAFTA is a step in the right direction, and must be expedited . . . The net effect is more and better jobs for the people."

-Law student
Alfred Park

be expedited. It is a step toward progression, growth and rejuvenation of the economic system," Park said.

Park said the passage of NAFTA would create "the single most powerful economic bloc."

While NAFTA may appear to some as an answer to current economic hard-

ships, others fear higher unemployment. Eldridge said he believes some unemployment would result from NAFTA, but that the losses would be minimal.

"In some industries there will be an increase in unemployment, but increase in employment in other industries will more than offset it," Eldridge said.

"All change involves some cost, but the overall benefits to the American economy will be far greater than the cost to small segments of the economy, where in small industries there will be an increase in unemployment," he added.

Economics professor Robert Dunn Jr. said he agrees that NAFTA would not be a "detriment" to employment in the United States.

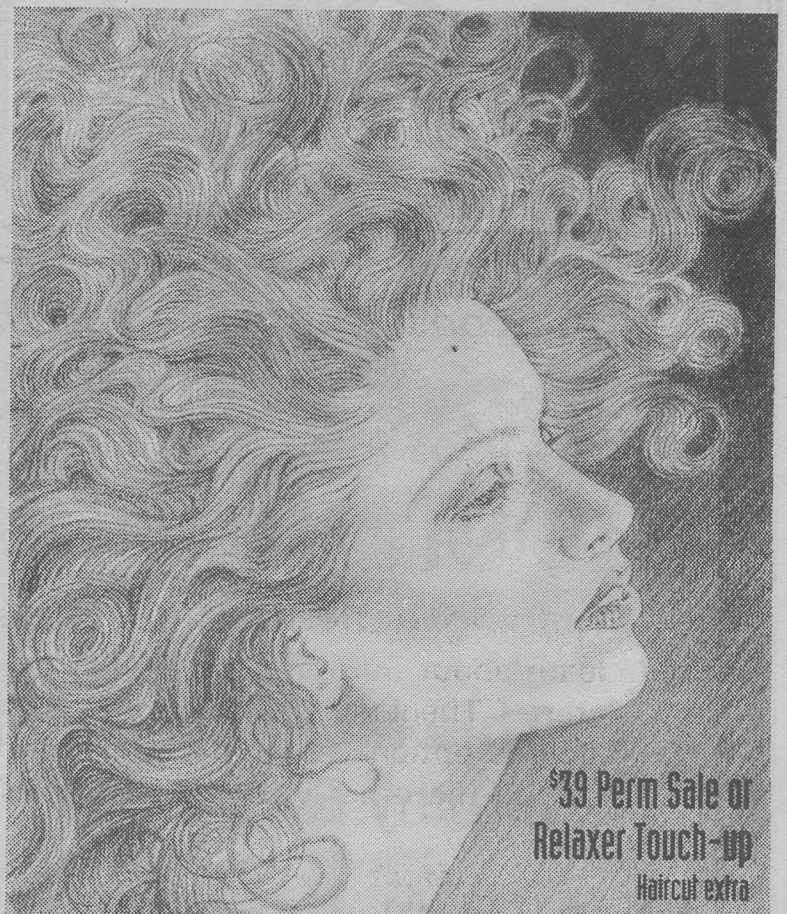
"In the United States, there will be more employment for highly skilled workers and less employment for under-skilled workers," Dunn said.

Park said that fear of employment moving to Mexico is "unwarranted." "The net effect of NAFTA," Park said, "is more and better jobs for the people."

The issue of environmental policy in Mexico is also a controversial topic. Mark Starik, assistant professor of business administration, said he is not sure what effect NAFTA would have on Mexico's environmental policy.

"Supporters of NAFTA believe that the values of regularly American environmental law will be transferred south along with free trade," said Starik, an expert on corporate environmental management policy.

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Donors can call the Campus Activities office at 994-6555 to sign up. An appointment system has been developed to keep processing time under an hour.

Uruguayan ambassador to speak

Eduardo Macgillycuddy, Uruguay's ambassador to the United States, will continue the Ambassador's Lecture Series with a speech Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. in the Dorothy Betts Marvin Theater.

Macgillycuddy will not have far to travel to give his speech. The Uruguayan embassy is next door to Thurston Hall on F Street.

Israeli ambassador Itamar Rabinovich opened the series earlier this month. British ambassador Sir Robin Renwick is scheduled to speak Nov. 16.

Graduate school fair on tap

GW will host more than 200 admissions representatives from law schools and graduate schools nationwide in the Marvin Center Tuesday and Wednesday.

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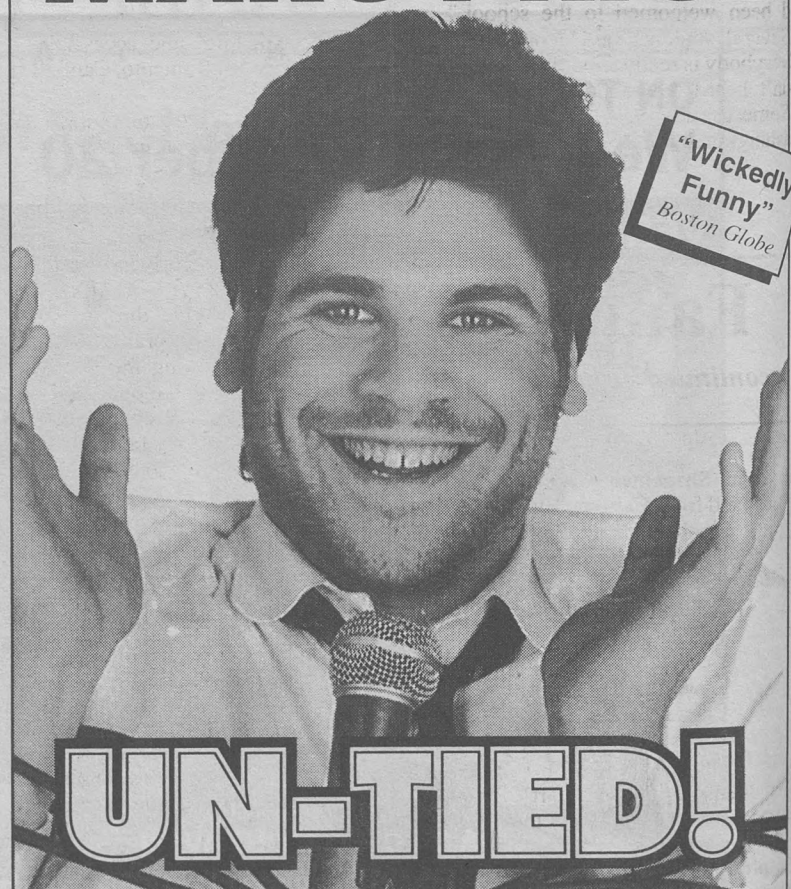
Francine Trachtenberg, vice president for the WETA relocation project and wife of GW President Trachtenberg, will speak at a Women's Leadership Project reception Wednesday at 4 p.m. in the Visitor Center.

WETA, a public television station, will relocate to a building to be constructed on campus to house the National Center for Communication Studies.

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Prospective students get a feel for campus

2,000 students attend special weekend

by Kati Gazella
Hatchet Staff Writer

Several of the approximately 2,000 prospective students who attended this weekend's Open House said visiting the campus helped them decide which college to attend.

"My decision to go to GW is pretty much solidified after this weekend," Michael Testa Jr. of Vineland, N.J., said. He cited the University's "strong academic . . . and athletic background" as his reasons for selecting GW.

Ivy McClure of St. Louis said the tour of campus "was the greatest influence in making me come here." She said she now is applying early decision because "other schools paled in comparison."

About 2,000 prospective students attended the weekend's activities, according to the Office of Campus Activities. This was the second year the Open House coincided with Parent's Weekend.

Administrators said earlier that the two events were combined so parents of current GW students could share their insights with prospective students and their families. The open house was also expanded from last year's one-day event to two days.

Several students said they are considering GW because of the availability of internships in Washington. Katherine Kline of Bethlehem, Pa., said she wants to get an internship at the National Institutes of Health, which she "couldn't do anywhere else in the world."

Other students cited the University's central location as a determining factor. Leslie Wright of Princeton, N.J., said she chose GW because "it's so close to everything." She added that she wants to get an internship at *National Geographic*, and GW "is the ideal place for that."

The urban setting was a factor in many students' impressions of GW. "I don't want a school where the cows outnumber the people, which isn't a problem in D.C.," Perry Demarco of Philadelphia said.

Other students said the school's location deterred their desire to attend GW. "I'm not really comfortable in the urban area," Samantha Piercynski of Queens, N.Y., said. "I really wanted a more grassy campus."

The weekend's activities included a Capitol Hill reception, campus tours, a free barbecue and open houses in residence halls and other University buildings.

Prospective student Allison Abet took a tour of Thurston Hall Saturday morning. "I think D.C. is a good place for internships," she said. "I want to be a news reporter in this exciting city."

Many students said the Saturday morning reception in the Smith Center increased their enthusiasm. "Listening to the band made me feel a lot of school spirit," Casey Ryan of Peabody, Mass., said. "I like that the people here are really involved in the school."

Brad Klein of Cherry Hill, N.J., said, "It was a great greeting. I really felt like I had been welcomed to the school."

Several students said people on campus had been helpful and accessible. "Everybody is really friendly out here," said Karen Fayly of Sacramento, Calif. "I hadn't heard that about the East."

Some parents were initially concerned about the safety factor of living in Washington but said their children would ultimately have the final say.

-Harold Bollaci contributed to this report

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said Susan Shaneinan, who came with her husband from California to see their daughter Nicole. "We were dying to see her. She's comfortable. However, we needed to see her."

Chernak attributed the weekend's success to a tremendous professional staff. Johnson added that much of the credit must be given to OCL's planning of the weekend's events.

Johnson was popular among many parents. One mother of a freshman called Johnson a "sweetheart" for his work to inform her family of the details of the weekend's activities.

In preparation for visiting families, Thurston Hall was vacuumed thoroughly by the housekeeping staff, said Michael Rosenzweig, treasurer of the Thurston Hall Council. The Office of Residential Life and the Thurston Hall Council also co-hosted a reception.

Joycelyn Marshall, whose son Sean is a freshman, said she was pleased with the living spaces and said that her son's room was clean.

The weekend's events officially began with a Colonial Convention in the Smith Center. Speaking were Johnson, Student Admissions Representative Bill Baroni and GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg. The University Band and

the Colonial cheerleaders livened up the guests.

Fred Siegel, executive director for enrollment management, praised Chernak for his work to bring the Family Weekend together with the open house program. Siegel said the combination allows prospective GW families to speak with current GW families and students.

Having the two programs on the same weekend is an advantage in a competitive marketing situation, Siegel said.

Darius and Sherna Bharucha said they felt very comfortable knowing that their son, a freshman, was at GW. The Bharuchas, from Carlisle, Pa., said the Family Weekend staff made them feel welcome.

Yasmin Bharucha, a younger sister, said although sibling activities were fun, she would rather be at home watching the World Series.

The Family Weekend also provided a backdrop for the first meeting of the Parents Advisory Council, a group that will serve as the governing body for a future GW parents association.

The group, which is still in the planning stages, met Friday and Saturday to discuss topics relating to the group's structure and organization, Chernak said.

Not all freshmen were able to have their parents visit them last weekend, though. "I'm disappointed not having my parents here. I miss my family," freshman Lisa Armand said.

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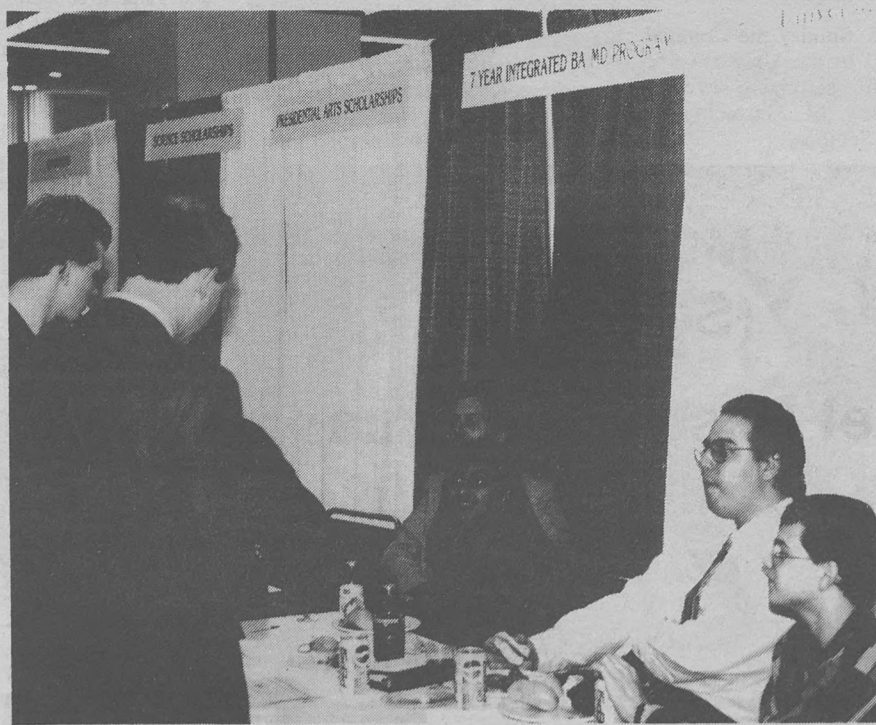
After weeks away from their sons and daughters, sometimes for the first time, parents returned to GW for a weekend of activities.

Other visitors were getting their first look at campus, as they brought prospective students to tour the University.

GW hosted a series of events, including bus tours of Washington, a barbecue on the Quad and trips to the Capitol.

Parents said they noticed the hard work administrators put in to make sure the activities ran smoothly.

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GW looks onward to last A-10 chances

Rutgers downs Colonials by one point

by Shaina Rheam

Hatchet Sports Reporter

The biggest crowd turn out of the season at Francis Field Saturday could not encourage the GW's men's soccer team to soundly defeat Rutgers. Rutgers edged GW 3-2.



Men's Soccer

"We played a great game," freshman Shon Addison said. "There are certain times in the game where certain things happen that are out of control of the players, but we definitely know that we played hard and should have won."

Rutgers opened up the scoring with two goals from Dan Martin at 26:22 and 43:13 in the first half. GW struck back with two goals to tie the game during the second half.

Sophomore Stephen Masten capitalized from a rebound off the goalpost at 46:41. After streaking down the right flank, Addison tied the game with an unassisted goal at 68:12.

Rutgers insured the win with a goal from Vic Tartara at 75:44. "It's a very controversial goal that they scored. I think that it was offside, but I think everybody contributed well and did the best they could do," Masten said.

Viewed as the toughest opponent of the season, Rutgers is ranked seventh nationally and 6-0-0 in conference play (10-2-1 overall). "That seventh is just a title to put in front of them, because I don't really see them as seventh in the nation," Masten said. "If we get another opportunity to play against them, I know we could beat them."

The Colonials outshot Rutgers 13-12. Senior Derk Droze and junior Marcelo Valencia led the shot attempts each with three shots on goal.

"Most of the teams that we play we have outshot," Addison said. "We just can't put as many goals in (as) the other team."

"It's just one of those seasons that you have," Addison added. "Sometimes you have a great season and you know things will come together, but sometimes the season just starts off bad. The main thing that you have to do is make sure everybody is positive about the season and that's one thing that we've had."

Junior goalkeeper Ward McIntyre had three saves.

"It was a great effort on our part," Masten said. "I think it was the best game we played all year. Everybody did well and played their role correctly. We really looked good yesterday, and unfortunately we didn't come out with a win."

The Colonials have to win their next two Atlantic 10 conference games to remain in contention for the tournament Nov. 5-7. The team is now 1-3-1 in conference play (4-9-1 overall).

"We're just hoping that we can get into the A-10 tournament," Addison said. "That's what we're concentrating on right now — winning the rest of our games. Everybody's pretty positive that we can get in."

"Being a senior and co-captain I have to work to keep the team's spirits up," Droze added. "We definitely have to



win the last two A-10 games to get into the tournament, so I have to not only worry about how our team is playing, but (worry about) the other teams in the A-10 as well. We still have a chance."

The team next plays at the University of Maryland Wednesday. "We're going to be hungry for a win, really hungry," Masten said. "I think it's going to be a good outcome."

"This is an important game, too, even though Maryland isn't in our conference," Droze said. "This game is just as big as the others, because they are in the Atlantic Coast Conference with such hard teams as Virginia and Duke. We can't let down against them."



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Derk Droze (#11, top) receives the ball ahead of Rutgers' defender en route to one of his three shots on goal. Marcelo Valencia (#10, bottom) still found plenty of action in Saturday's game, although he was heavily guarded.

Strikers tie UMass, fall to Rams

by Ben Osborne

Hatchet Sports Reporter

The GW women's soccer team went north this weekend to battle a pair of Atlantic 10 rivals, and the results were



Women's Soccer

decidedly mixed. Sunday the Colonial Women fell 1-0 to the University of Rhode Island after surprising seventh-ranked University of Massachusetts with a 1-1 tie Saturday.



Crissie Snow (#13) gets ahead of the opposition and takes control.

photo by Ben Turover

GW 0, URI 1

Against Rhode Island, GW dominated much of the game, amassing an impressive 24 shots on goal compared to just eight for the Lady Rams. The game's lone goal came at 54:27, when Ivy Kulak scored unassisted for the Lady Rams. Kulak passed a GW defender and knocked in the winning goal for her team.

"It was really unlucky, but it happens sometimes. Rhode Island played well; it was a disappointing loss. It cost us the A-10 title," Cara Eichenlaub said.

Rhode Island goalie Sarah Moon recorded 15 saves to preserve the shut-out, while freshman goalkeeper Traci Jensen only made a total of four. GW suffered its first conference loss, falling to 3-1-1 in the A-10 (7-8-1 overall).

UMass came into the game against GW ranked seventh in the nation. "It was a hard-fought game, with a lot of back-and-forth action. It was a big tie for us," Eichenlaub said.

GW played UMass to a scoreless first half, and then just 10 minutes into the second half, Eichenlaub scored to put GW on the board. She was assisted by Jenny Vogel.

After the goal, Jensen took over. She made 15 saves for the game, including three in overtime. The one blemish against Jensen came at 74:23, when Melissa Mitchell scored an unassisted goal for the Minutewomen.

The UMass goalie, Brianna Scurry, only needed to make two saves. UMass topped GW 23-11 in shots on goal. The Colonial Women were led by Eichenlaub and Vogel, who each got off three, while most of the shots for UMass came off the feet of Mitchell and Nicole Roberts, who notched six shots apiece.

GW looks to get back on track Wednesday at home against the University of Maryland-Baltimore County.

SPORTS BRIEFS

The Colonial Women's crew team sent its second and third women's boats to the Head of the Occoquan in Occoquan, Va. The women's second boat (16:38) was victorious over Duke University (17:09) and George Mason University (17:17). The third boat took fourth place overall, falling within two seconds of George Mason with a final time of 17:19.

"Conditions were perfect. We got good performances from both boats. Duke was showing some speed earlier this fall and we felt good about beating them with our second (women's) boat," head coach Paul Wilkins said.

The varsity women's and men's eight, as well as the men's youth four, will travel to Boston for the Head of the Charles Sunday.

"It will be a real test for us. Many of the best crews will be there, so we can see how we stack up," Wilkins said.

● GW is one of 300 schools participating in the fifth annual Timex Fitness Week during Oct. 18 to 24.

GW's Recreational Sports Office will hold a 10 person, 4.5 mile "Monumental Relay" race Oct. 23. There will also be a "Splash and Dash" on the same day which includes a 200-yard swim and a 2000-yard run.

● The GW women's gymnastics team was nationally ranked 13th among gymnastics all-academic teams. The team's cumulative grade-point average is 3.17.

Nikki Bronner, Tricia Gissendanner and Andria Longretta received individual honors as all-America scholar-athletes.

● GW sold out its men's basketball season tickets for the first time in recent history. For fans who do not have current GW student status, the Department of Athletics and Recreation is accepting applications for "waiting list" seating.

-Deanna Reiter

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Commentary

U.S. revs up RFK

The greatest aspect of the home advantage is the crowd. When the crowd cheers, the team does well. The "oohs" and "aahs" of the team's defeated attempts encourages it to improve. The crowd may very well shape the attitude of the game.

The U.S. National Soccer Team had problems capturing its home team advantage, regardless of where it competes in the United States. It doesn't seem to matter which international team the U.S. plays, because their fans are forever a minority.

There are the few who do support the U.S. National Team. My roommate and I may be considered two of those loyal few. When we went to RFK Stadium Wednesday to see the U.S. national team play Mexico, we knew what to expect from the crowd. Mexican jerseys, flags and sombreros were everywhere. I felt as if I was approaching the Aztec Stadium rather than RFK.

I sat in my fourth row seat and looked around. A big crowd showed up — about 24,000, which is excellent for a non-tournament soccer game in the United States. I spotted students from area colleges, but I still felt surrounded by Mexican fans.

The Gold Cup final rivals played an aggressive game. As the Mexican team advanced and attempted shots, the fans danced in the aisles, waved their giant flags and sung chants. It looked like a giant party. When the U.S. team advanced and shot on goal, I heard oohs, aahs, and cheers, but I didn't see the source as easily as I saw the Mexican fans.

In the middle of the second half, Mexico scored and the *fiesta* roared. When the United States scored later in the half, something special happened — the stadium roared. Every once-quiet U.S. fan hopped up and down screaming. They showed off the often unseen American way of cheering at a soccer game — they threw paper planes onto the field, showered the crowd with beer and high-fived the closest strangers.

The U.S. team was impressed. The game ended in a tie, but one might have thought the United States had won. After the game, Alexi Lalas, Cobi Jones (who scored for the United States) and others ran into the crowds, signed autographs, smacked handshakes and thanked fans repetitively for coming. They did this immediately after the game instead of retreating to a refreshing shower.

I was also impressed at the crowd's response. I thought the U.S. fans were outnumbered four to one, but I was wrong. When Cobi scored, they emerged and showed a typical U.S. fan's thanks: a raucous, beer-throwing, mosh pit attitude. It was a strange sight to see at a soccer game, especially when I'm used to seeing *merengue* in the aisles or foreign flags in the air.

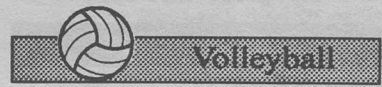
Maybe I was wrong. The U.S. national team doesn't need cheerleaders to encourage the typical NBA, NFL or NHL fan to show up for a soccer match. The stadium needs more beer.

-Bonnie Smith

Spikers finish flawless winning weekend

by Jared Sher
Hatchet Sports Writer

The Colonial women's volleyball team devoured their Atlantic 10 competition this weekend, overcoming the most exhausting travel of the season to earn straight set victories over West Virginia, Saint Bonaventure and Duquesne universities.



The victories leave GW in sole possession of first place in the A-10 Conference, with a 7-0 league record and a 12-7 mark overall. The team has now played each conference team once, making their journey unscathed through the toughest stretch of the schedule.

GW vs. St. Bonaventure

The Colonial Women took on the Lady Bonnies of Saint Bonaventure Saturday night and blew them out (15-8, 15-1, 16-14) in a match that was never close. The victory was the third consecutive triumph, capping off a tiring, but winning weekend without a loss.

Following their match Friday night, the Colonial Women travelled through the night from Morgantown, W. Va., to Olean, N.Y. They played twice Saturday, in the afternoon and in the evening. Immediately after the final game, they boarded an airplane, arriving home early Sunday morning, concluding the most stress-filled travel the team will encounter all season.

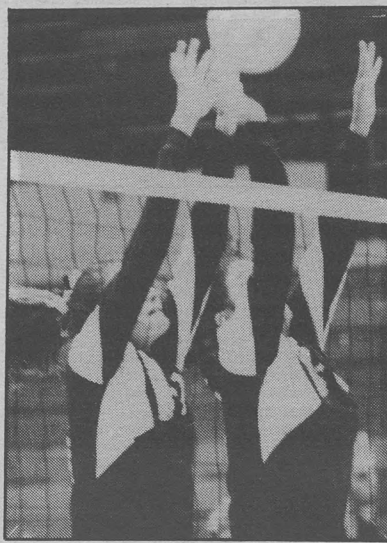


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Strikers double team to defend.

As a result, the success of the weekend is an even greater contributor to the team's high morale. "We knew this was going to be a tough weekend, but we took it as a challenge," head coach Susie Homan said. By coming out of the fray with three relatively easy conquests, GW put itself out in front of its A-10 competition.

The match proved to be a fairly simple task for the Colonial Women, who handled the Lady Bonnies with little trouble, allowing every healthy player to see action. Fresh off her player of the week performance, Stephanie

Francis led GW with 10 kills, three digs and three blocks.

Francis said she characterized the weekend as a mini-breakthrough for the team. "We absolutely dominated. We worked hard and it paid off. Now we know we can do it again," she said.

In addition, Francis downplayed the significance of her A-10 honor of a week ago. "In the end, that does not matter. Right now we're playing well as a team, and that is what counts," she said.

The Colonial Women also continued to handle the ball well, committing only 14 errors and hitting a steady .272. Liu Li had seven kills and 10 digs, with four total blocks as well. The well-rounded effort also included Jill Lammert, who added six kills with no errors and nine digs. Jen Grabow also contributed eight more digs.

Ultimately, it was team defense where GW shined most brightly, blocking 20 shots as a unit and pulling out 49 digs. Improving in this area was just one of Homan's goals for the weekend.

GW vs. Duquesne

The Colonial Women completely destroyed the Duchesses of Duquesne University early Saturday, hitting .419 and committing only six errors en route to the dominating victory (15-2, 15-4, 15-2).

GW was led by Svetlana Vtyurina, who hit a sensational .600 while picking up 17 kills. Francis also added nine kills and four blocks, to go with three service aces. Once again, the defense was stel-

lar, holding Duquesne to a .099 hitting percentage and forcing 18 errors.

GW vs. West Virginia

The Colonial Women began the big weekend by vanquishing the Mountaineers of West Virginia — the second place team in the A-10 coming into the match — with a solid effort (15-10, 15-9, 15-13).

Vtyurina was out in front once more, setting the pace by hitting .558 and notching 20 kills. Liu also had another strong outing, recording 11 kills and 13 digs, while Francis added 10 more digs toward the team total of 47.

Homan attributes the team's dominating performance to its hard work at practice, which has improved play all around. Passing, though, has become an especially big asset for GW. "We had a tremendous passing weekend. This enables us to play at a higher level. That makes more of a difference than anything else," she said.

This passing allowed for the solid play of setter Kate Haubenreich as well. The excellent team effort makes her job easier, Homan said, and allows her to play the position better. Haubenreich had 38 assists against West Virginia and had no less than 30 in any of the three matches over the weekend.

GW returns home next weekend for two home matches against A-10 opponents University of Rhode Island and University of Massachusetts at the Smith Center.

Swimmers stroke their way to victory

by Christy Andrychowski
Hatchet Sports Reporter

The season debut for the GW men's and women's swimming and diving teams began with an excellent start of two wins for both teams. The swimmers battled the clock and the waters against Davidson College and Howard University at the Smith Center Saturday.

The men swam over Davidson by a score of 114-77, in a competition that saw GW place first and second in every event. The Colonials also out-swam Howard, 113-65.

Junior Armando Serrano recorded three individual victories, including firsts in the 200-yard individual medley (1:58.43), the 100-yard butterfly (52.84) and the 100-yard breaststroke (1:01.12).

"We all swam well. This meet was a good experience for the freshmen before we swim against (the University of Virginia) next weekend," Serrano said.



Junior Chris Scuderi was also a triple winner for the Colonials, recording firsts in the 50-yard freestyle (21.92) and the 100-yard backstroke (51.47). Scuderi, along with teammates captain Jack Thomas, Brendt Garlick and Chris Hood, made up the Colonials victorious 200-yard medley relay team with a time of 1:38.87.

GW also took second place in the relay with the all-freshman team of Chad Senior, Tim Benson, Lee Calvert and Robert Hudson with a time of 1:40.81.

Junior Andrew Cottrill took first in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 49.83. Keith Krelovich, Joe Ferraro, Hood and Cottrill were victorious in the 200-yard freestyle relay. Freshman Carl Ellefson placed first in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 4:51.01.

Male divers Charles Davis (241.95 points) and captain Harry Nicholakis (236 points) placed first and second in the one-meter competition against Davidson. Howard had no male or female diving entrants in either the one- or three-meter competitions. In three-meter action, Davis (270.45 points) and Nicholakis (234.70 points) placed first and second again. GW freshman Dupre Jones collected third place against Howard in both the one- and three-meter dives.

The Colonial Women topped Davidson 117-78 and Howard, 101-59. Freshman standout Bambi Bowman placed first in the 1,000-yard freestyle (10:16.49) and the 100-yard backstroke (1:01.89). Bowman, freshman Meghan Gallant, returner Meghan Mitchell and sophomore Melanie Figueredo captured first in the 200-yard freestyle relay (1:45.60).

The 200-yard freestyle relay teams of Kate Estok, Tadeja Zupancic, Anissa Dampog and Carolyn Evangelista placed second (1:50.26). Gina Rule, Tuba Guvelioglu, Ryann Laubacker and captain Erin Johnson also placed third (1:55.67) against Davidson.

Guvelioglu (1:06.76), Nicole Martel (1:12.18) and freshman Kristen Robertson

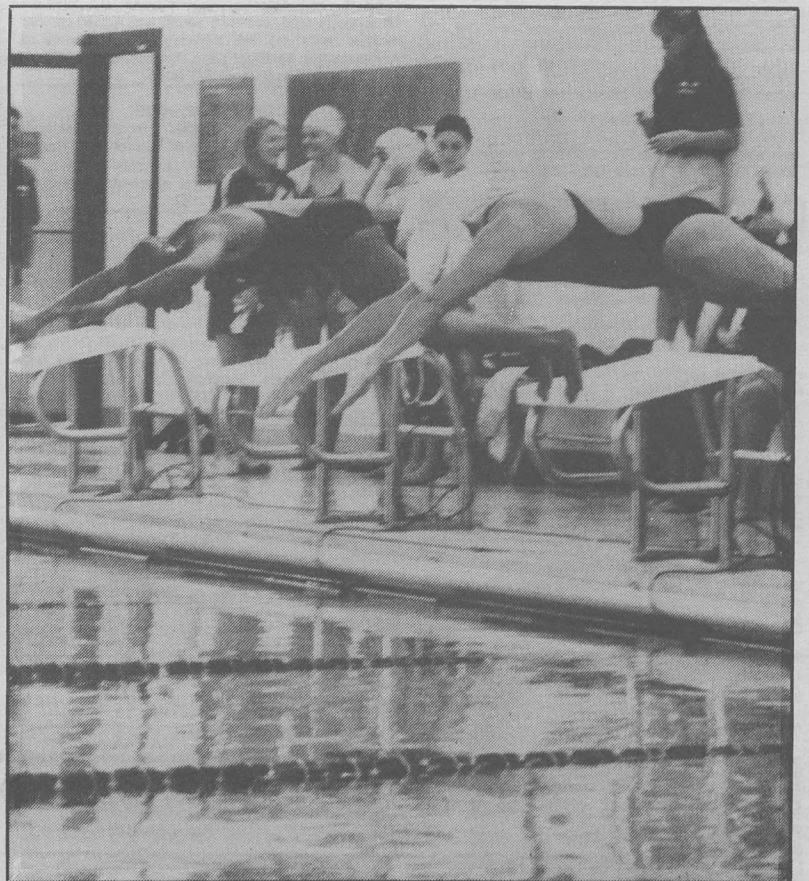


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The Colonial Women start their season with a shot gun performance.

(1:12.55) placed first, second and third, respectively, for GW in the 100-yard breaststroke. Robertson also captured first in the 100-yard freestyle event against Davidson with a time of 56.85. "I've done this many times before, but I was a little nervous. I guess it was because it was my first collegiate meet," Robertson said.

GW's 200-yard medley relay teams of freshman Stephanie Ballou, Guvelioglu, Figueredo and freshman Lita Chidester and Gallant, Martel, freshman Donna Guglielmi and freshman Laurel Cox took first (1:54.21) and second (1:57.26), respectively, in the event.

Junior Lisa Bassinder finished first in both the one-meter dive competition with 187.70 points and the three-meter competition with 172.05 points.

The depth on both of the GW teams seemed to overwhelm the competition. Their depth will be severely tested this upcoming weekend as the Colonials head south to swim against nationally recognized University of Virginia.

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